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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

GRAND GENERAL ACCESSORIES)	Case No. CV 08-07078 DDP (VBKx)
MANUFACTURING, a California)	
corporation,)	Order Directing Parties to File
)	Supplemental Briefing
Plaintiff,)	
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v.)	
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UNITED PACIFIC INDUSTRIES)	
INC., a California)	
corporation; LUCIDITY)	
ENTERPRISE CO., LTD., a)	
corporation of Taiwan,)	
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Defendants.)	
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In a separate, concurrently filed order, the Court entered partial summary judgment in favor of Defendants. The Court withheld ruling on the patent invalidity and infringement issues related to the '303, '970, and '559 Patents.

The Court now orders the parties to address the following issues in a supplemental round of briefing:

(1) Are the notches that provide the S/T/T lights disclosed in the '303, '559, and '970 Patents with topographical variation among the various faceted reflectors (producing what the Court referred

to at the August 6, 2010 hearing as the "dolomites" effect)
 sufficiently distinctive as to render the '303, '559, and '970
 Patents non-obvious? The notched effect, as disclosed in the '970
 and '303 Patent drawings, is displayed below for reference:

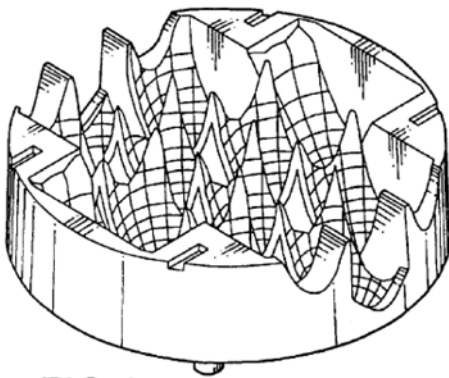


FIG.1

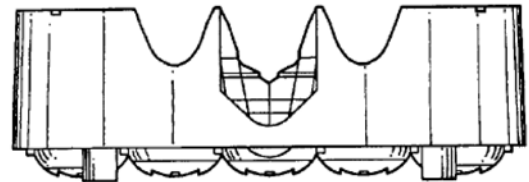


FIG.4

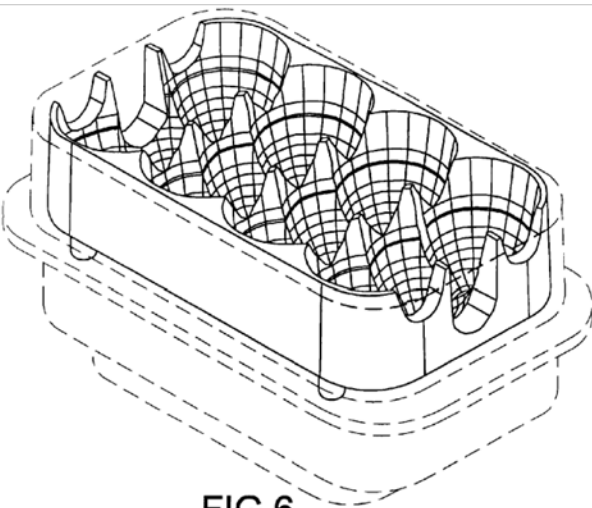


FIG.6

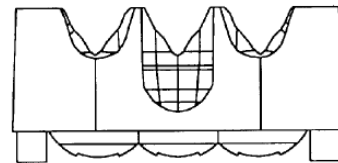


FIG.4

(2) Are the notches described above without precedent in the
 prior art?

1 (3) Assuming the validity of the '303, '559, and '970 Patents,
2 do Defendants' products infringe those patents? In answering this
3 question, the parties are directed to address similarities and
4 differences between the drawings and the accused products when
5 compared both from straight-ahead and side angles (i.e., from
6 viewpoints that disclose the web comb effect, and viewpoints that
7 disclose the notched, topographic effect). Plaintiff is directed
8 to submit actual examples of each allegedly infringing product to
9 the Court. Examples shall be lodged with the Court no later than
10 September 13, 2010.

11 The parties are to address only those issues outlined in this
12 order in their supplemental briefing - issues disposed of in the
13 Court's partial summary judgment order are not to be reargued. As
14 the Court noted in its partial summary judgment order,
15 straightforward, geometric arrangements of LED bulbs and faceted
16 reflectors within industry standard forms of S/T/T light housing
17 would be obvious to a designer of ordinary skill in the art.
18 Accordingly, the Court is inclined to conclude that the '303, '970,
19 and '559 Patents are invalid for obviousness, unless the notches
20 described above are sufficiently distinctive and without precedent
21 in the prior art.

22 The parties are ordered to address the issues outlined above
23 in cross-briefs, not to exceed twenty (20) pages in length, filed
24 no later than August 30, 2010. Cross-reply briefs, not to exceed
25 ten (10) pages in length, will be due no later than September 13,
26 2010.

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1 The Court will hold a STATUS CONFERENCE REGARDING THE
2 REMAINING SUMMARY JUDGMENT ISSUES on September 27, 2010 at 10:00
3 a.m. The parties will have the opportunity to argue the issues
4 outlined above at the September 27, 2010 status conference.

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7 IT IS SO ORDERED.

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10 Dated: August 9, 2010


DEAN D. PREGERSON
United States District Judge